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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6694

BILL NUMBER: SB 408

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 4, 2014

BILL AMENDED: Jan 30, 2014

SUBJECT: Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Becker

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Kubacki

BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill has the following provisions:

- (1) Defines "neonatal abstinence syndrome" (NAS).
- (2) Requires a hospital to use appropriate hospital coding for diagnosing NAS and to report the NAS codes in accordance with hospital reporting requirements.
- (3) Requires the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) to provide a report before January 1, 2016, to the General Assembly regarding the reported NAS data and specifies information to be included in the report.
- (4) Authorizes the Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana to: (a) study certain treatment services available to pregnant women who are addicted to illegal or prescription drugs; (b) study the educational and training services available to the public and certain professionals who might encounter an infant born with NAS during the course of their duties; and (c) make any recommendations for legislation as the committee considers appropriate.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Summary:* The ISDH reports implementing the hospital reporting requirement in the bill can be implemented with existing staff and resources.

(Revised) *Additional Information:* The reported incidence rate for NAS is estimated to be between 1.2 and 3.39 per 1,000 births. Indiana has a birth rate of approximately 86,000 births per year, therefore between 103 and 292 newborns can be expected to have NAS annually.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: See *Explanation of State Expenditures* regarding hospital reporting requirements.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: ISDH.

Local Agencies Affected: Local government-owned hospitals.

Information Sources: Scott Zarazee, ISDH; Stephen Patrick, Robert Schumacher, Brian Benneyworth, Elizabeth Krans, Jennifer McAllister, and Matthew Davis “*Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome and Associated Health Care Expenditures: United States, 2000-2009*”.

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